

# Michael T. Kamprath

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## Licenses

### **United States Supreme Court Bar**

#### **Florida Bar**

#14429

*Board Certified Specialist in Construction Law.*

Licensed to practice in the State Courts and in the Federal Middle, Northern District of Florida and the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals.

#### **Alabama Bar**

#3954-M76K

Licensed to practice in all State and Federal District Courts for Alabama.

#### **Florida Board of Professional Engineers Engineer Intern**

#1100008149

## Education

### **University of Florida Levin College of Law**

**Gainesville, Florida**

J.D. *magna cum laude* May 2005.

Order of the Coif (Top 10%).

**Honors:** Phi Delta Phi; Member of Journal of Technology, Law and Policy;  
Book Award, Conservation Clinic.

**Activities:** Conservation Clinic, Panel Chair for Public Interest Environmental Conference.

### **Case Western Reserve University**

**Cleveland, Ohio**

M.S.E. in Civil Engineering, May 2002

B.S.E. *cum laude* in Civil Engineering with Minor in History, May 2002

B.A. *cum laude* in Economics with Departmental Honors, May 2001, Honors Thesis: “*Socio-Economic Costs and Effects of Municipal Incorporations in Florida from 1970 to 2000.*”

**Study Abroad Program:** University of Sydney, N.S.W., Australia (Spring and Fall 1999)

Member St. Andrew’s College at the University of Sydney

**Honors:** President’s Scholarship, Case Alumni Association Scholarship, Engineering Dean’s BS/MS Fellow, Marvin J. Barloon Award for outstanding performance in Economics, Miller Award for outstanding academic achievement in Civil Engineering

**Activities:** Varsity Indoor and Outdoor Track and Cross Country (10 Varsity letters), American Society of Civil Engineers (Treasurer, Secretary), Zeta Psi Fraternity,

## Experience

### **Thresher & Thresher, P.A.**

**Tampa, Florida**

*Attorney*, 12/2007 to present

The representation of public agencies including municipal corporations and other public authorities with regard to Construction Law litigation, construction project management and negotiation of contracts, including design build contracts and litigation against sureties regarding punch out items.

The representation of owners regarding: negotiation and procurement of contract documents for construction; termination of contractors, reprocurement, recommencement and completion of construction projects; and construction lien issues.

The representation of general contractors: in the prosecution of construction liens; in litigation against owners and subcontractors; in preparation of contract documents; negotiations with insurers; litigation with insurers; assistance in the representation of general contractors regarding bid protest remedies and procurement prequalification.

The representation of sureties in payment and performance bond disputes.

The representation of subcontractors: in the prosecution of construction liens; in litigation against sureties regarding payment provisions and construction defects, and general contractor bankruptcy issues.

The representation of condominium associations in litigation against developers and contractors for construction defects.

Revision of contract forms to comply with revisions in Florida Statutes.

The representation of design professionals regarding licensing issues, payment issues and lien issues.

Representation of owners and contractors in insurance coverage litigation.

Represented clients in jury trials, bench trials, administrative law proceedings, arbitration and mediation.

**Barron, Redding, Hughes, Fite, Sanborn, Kiehn & Dickey, P.A.** Panama City, Florida

*Associate Attorney, 09/05-12/2007*

Participated in Construction, Land Use, Environmental, Transactional and Civil Litigation Matters.

**United States Attorney's Office, Middle District of Florida**

**Tampa, Florida**

*Extern Civil Law Division, 08/04-12/04*

**Thresher P.A.**

**Tampa, Florida**

*Law Clerk, 05/04- 08/04*

**University of Florida – Levin College of Law**

**Gainesville, Florida**

*Research Assistant for Richard Nelson Chair Professor Michael Allan Wolf, 08/03-05/05*

**University of Virginia – Virginia Transportation Research Council**

**Charlottesville, Va.**

*Graduate Legal Assistant, 05/03-11/03*

**Boundary Layer Wind Tunnel Laboratory– Univ. of W. Ontario**

**London, Ontario**

*Researcher, 5/01-8/01*

Set up and ran experiments in boundary layer wind tunnel studying wake and vorticity using a Laser Doppler Velocimeter behind an oscillating circular cylinder in a high Reynold's Number flow.

**Department of Civil Engineering – Case Western Reserve University**

**Cleveland, Ohio**

*Teaching Assistant for Statics and Strength of Materials, 8/00 – 5/02*

**Blake Dawson Waldron**

**Sydney, Australia**

*Legal Technology Group Paralegal, 8/99 – 12/99, 5/00 – 8/00*

**Apollo Construction & Engineering Services, Inc.**  
*Engineer, 2002- 05/05 (part time)*

**Ruskin, Florida**

**Publications and Presentations**

M. Kamprath, Procurement Chapter in Handbook of Municipal Law, ABA (Forthcoming in 2013).

M.Kamprath, *Florida Abolishes Limited Liability for Engineers*, Under Construction (Forthcoming).

M.Kamprath, S.Smith, T. Overman, J.Cohen, R. Jackson, *Guidance for Proving Up Claims*, Under Construction (Forthcoming).

M. Kamprath, G. “Chip” Ossman, T. Mulkey, H. McKittrick, *Pros and Cons of Dispute Resolution Methods*, A.S.C.E. Construction Institute Summit, Dallas, (upcoming in Sept. 2013).

M. Kamprath, *Hot Topics: Koontz v. St. Johns River Water Management Dist.*, A.B.A. Section of Public Contract Law/ Section of State and Local Government Law Spring Meeting, Nashville, (upcoming in May, 2013).

M.Kamprath, P.Waugh, *Engineers Without Liability, Addressing Liability and Risk Issues Associated with Designers Who Volunteer*, A.B.A. Forum on the Construction Industry, Annual Meeting, Dana Point, Ca. (April 2013).

M.Kamprath, J. Alley, T. Meade, *The Spread of Alternative Dispute Resolution Within Local Courts*, A.B.A. Y.L.D. Midyear Meeting, Dallas (February 2013).

M.Kamprath, R. T. Dunn, K. H. Haney, B.W. Merwin, *Fifty State Survey on Enforceability of Limitation of Liability Clauses*, ABA Forum on the Construction Industry 2013 Midwinter Meeting, Naples FL.

M.Kamprath (moderator), *Fundraising Panel*, Engineers Without Borders South East Regional Conference (November 10, 2012)

M. Kamprath, *Filarsky Update: Qualified Immunity Protects Some Private Attorneys*, State and Local Government Law News (Summer 2012).

M. Kamprath, M. Donaldson, R. Thomas, P. Salkin. *Municipal Law Ethics Webinar*, Strafford (May 5, 2012).

M. Kamprath. *Government Attorney Qualified Immunity: Only for In-House Counsel?*, State and Local Government Law News (Spring 2012).

M. Kamprath, M. Donaldson, R. Thomas, A. Hinton. *Ethics/Public Contract Law*, ABA Section of Public Contract Law/ Section of State and Local Government Law Spring Meeting (April 19, 2012).

M. Kamprath, *Hot Topics: Introduction to Dispute Resolution Boards*, ABA Section of Public Contract Law/ Section of State and Local Government Law Spring Meeting (April 19, 2012).

M. Kamprath and J. Miller. *Corridor Protection Through NEPA*, Legal Affairs, ASCE Journal of Professional Issues in Engineering Education and Practice, (April 2006).

M. Kamprath. *Addressing the Shaky Legal Foundations of Florida's Fight Against Citrus Canker*, 20 Journal of Land Use and Environmental Law 453 (Spring 2005).

M. Kamprath. *Legal Foundations in Florida's Fight on Citrus Canker: Haire v. Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and Its Unnecessary Reliance on Corneal v. State Plant Board*, 9 Journal of Public Interest Environmental Conference 57, Gainesville, Florida, (February 24-26, 2005).

M. Kamprath, T. Ankersen, R. Swett. *Legal Process for Establishing a Mooring Field*, Presentation before the Mayor and City Council of Bradenton Beach, Florida, (February 17, 2005).

M. Kamprath. *Review of Recent Trends in Billboard Law*, Presentation, Nelson Symposium on Billboard Law, Gainesville, Florida, (February 11, 2005).

M. Kamprath, J. Miller. *Feasibility of Protecting Corridors Through the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)*, Virginia Transportation Research Council, VTRC 04-R29, (July 2004).

G.A. Kopp, M. Kamprath, B. Havel, R.J. Martinuzzi, J. Galsworthy S. Fathi. *Velocity Measurements in the Near Wake of a Freely-Oscillating Circular Cylinder at Lock-In*, 5th International Symposium on Engineering Turbulence Modeling and Measurements, Mallorca, Spain, (September 16 - 18, 2002).

M. Kamprath. *Velocity and Vorticity Fields Behind an Oscillating Circular Cylinder*, BLWTL Report 1-2001.

## **Professional Memberships/Activities**

### **American Bar Association**

- Forum Committee on the Construction Industry
  - Division III
  - Young Lawyers Section
    - Steering Committee
    - Membership Chair
    - Liaison to Membership Committee
    - Liaison to Division III
    - Set up and operated Twitter Account.
  - Membership Committee
    - Social Media Subcommittee
- Section of State and Local Government Law
  - Membership Committee
    - Chair (2012-2014)

- Co-Author *Amicus Curiae* brief to the U.S. Supreme Court on behalf of the ABA in *Filarsky v. Delia*, No. 10-1018 (cert. granted Sep. 27, 2011).
- Section of Environment Energy and Resources,
- Section of Litigation,
  - Construction Law Committee
    - Alternative Dispute Resolution Subcommittee
    - Leadership Group
- Young Lawyers Division
  - Liaison to the State and Local Government Section (2011-2013)
  - Subcommittee on State and Local Government Law
    - Inaugural Chair (2013-2014)

**Florida Bar**

Member – Eminent Domain Committee 2007-2012

**Hillsborough County Bar Association**

Leadership Institute Class of 2012

Associate Member – **American Society of Civil Engineers**

- Member, Construction Institute, Claims Avoidance and Resolution (CAR) Committee
- Chair, Subcommittee on Dispute Resolution
- Reviewer, Journal of Legal Affairs

**Dispute Resolution Board Foundation**

Member (2011-present)

DRB Administration and Practice Workshop Certificate (2013)

DRB Advanced/ Chairing Workshop Certificate (2013)

Affiliate Member – **American Institute of Architects** – Tampa Bay Chapter

**St. Andrew’s Bay Inn of Court** (2005-2007)

**Public Service**

**Hillsborough County Florida Code Enforcement Board** (2010-present)

Vice Chair (2012), Chair (2013)

Interim Special Magistrate – Code Enforcement (2012)

**Engineers Without Borders - USA,**

Vice President (2013); Secretary (2011-2012), South East Region of EWB-USA

Member, EWB-USA Domestic Projects Committee, Technical Advisory Committee

Member, South Central Florida Chapter, Segovia Project Team

**Awards/Honors**

AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Florida Super Lawyers Rising Stars (2012, 2013)

AVVO superb rating (10.0 out of 10.0) (2012- present)